

THRIFT TO BE SCHOOL STUDY.

Boston, Mass., June 15.—“Thrift” is the new keynote of the Woman’s Auxiliary of the Massachusetts Insurance Saving League. Members are being encouraged to the study of saving, and school superintendents propose to make the subject one of the branches of study.

George Beckley comes from a distinguished line of ancestors and on both his father’s and mother’s side was a descendent of Liloa, the first King of Hawaii. He was a great-grandson of Kameeiamoku, one of the warrior princes who taught Kamehameha the art of war and whose effigy is to be seen upon the Hawaiian coat-of-arms. He was also the grandson of Capt. George Beckley, first commander of the original Honolulu fort and designer of the Hawaiian flag. He was married to Miss Mary Risely in 1875, their wedding being one of the leading social events of that season.

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In its social and religious activities the Association is aggressive. Its religious work is necessarily adapted to the conditions of a warm climate and an all-year outdoor life, but it is active in its presentation of the claims of Christ on men, and it is recognized as a great religious force in the city.

One of the reasons for the large place the Honolulu Association occupies in the life of the city is the men it has rallied to its aid.

Entering all these doors of opportunity is a matter not of weeks but years; nevertheless, the men of Honolulu have visions, and are eager for the extension of Christ’s Kingdom among men. They may be counted upon.

Professor Alexander was born here in 1833 and few men can look back over seventy-seven years of life and count them as well spent as he is able to do. He received his early school training at Punahou and later went to Yale, from which college he graduated with the highest honors in 1855.

After teaching in the East for a year, he was offered the Greek professorship at Punahou, which he accepted, and in six years’ time became president of the institution. He left teaching to enter the survey department of the Territory, resigning from his position after thirty years’ service to take the same position under Uncle Sam.

Professor Alexander also held a number of important positions under the government, one of which was a member of the Privy Council under Kalakaua and ex-Queen Liliuokalani’s reign. He was a member of the Board of Education and represented the Hawaiian government in the International Meridian Conference. Professor Alexander’s histories of the Hawaiian Islands and their people are the recognized authority on those subjects.

New Haven, June 23.—Miss Jane Addams, president of the National Conference of Charities and Corrections, and head of Hull House, Chicago, was one of the recipients of the honorary degree of master of arts conferred at the annual commencement at Yale yesterday. Miss Addams is the first woman upon whom the university has conferred an honorary degree, and in presenting her Prof. Bernadotte Perrin of the university referred to her social settlement work, to Hull House as the “most extensive and important social settlement in the United States,” and continued:

“She has had a prophetic vision of what might be done and militant courage, united with a high order of administrative, social and political capacity in doing and getting it done. She has initiated local and national activities far more beneficial than those of ancient Carthage.”

Philadelphia, June 10, '10.

Have been working quite a while in New York City and came here today, where I am to remain a couple of weeks. I much prefer New York as a city, though, strange to say, so far as the people go, my choice would be for Philadelphia. There is a smaller foreign element here and the people are far more considerate. In

New York, if anyone should run over you, they would scarcely turn their heads to apologize or notice.

We have had the coldest of springs, and summer so far as we have gone is little better. Planted a lot of vegetables, but the frost was lying in wait and so late as June 4 cut most of them down. J. Frost is, I suppose, a personality little known to you in Hawaii, but he is one who may slip in here almost any month in the year.

I have several times lately observed Mr. John Wanamaker, who has two immense connecting department stores in New York, one of them twelve stories, and an equally large one in Philadelphia, looking over various departments of his store. He is quite an elderly man and fine looking. He has done a wonderful work in his lifetime, speaking for years to a Bible class of 3,000 in Philadelphia, and carrying on a Sunday-school of thousands. His Sundays are closely occupied all day, and he has done a vast amount of good. His employees are instructed in classes of various kinds, and he actually is honored by his employees. He reads all the time when traveling, and is a remarkable man. But he must not long hence lay down his life-burden, and there is none of his family at least to take it up. His son a few years ago was noted for the expensive dinners he gave in Paris. Mr. H.’s perfect business which he has developed must go to men of other ideas and his great church work pass into other hands. So it always is. The great structure builded with such care must have unhallowed hands laid upon it and may go down into dust for lack of the original inspiration that organized it.

New York is a wonderful city. There is not its equal in some respects in the wide world. During the past year, and I might say during any year you could find from fifty to one hundred twenty to twenty-five story buildings constantly in course of erection. Splendid structures of stone and iron they are, and in every case the foundation has to go down to a great depth (for the foundation of these buildings must be proportionally deep to their height), through the

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